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Navy ROTC cadets earn \$2,000 Collins Scholarship

PENSACOLA, Fla.-- Five Navy ROTC midshipmen from across the United States were recently awarded the Navy ROTC Capt. Winifred Q. Collins Scholarship. This year's scholarship awardees are: Amy Kristine Zimmerman, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis., Linda M. Kalister, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, Charles S. Siedlecki Jr., University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y., Kristen P. Peach, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla., Antone B. Eliassen, Auburn University, Auburn, Ala. Each of the five awardees receives an award citation signed by Vice Adm. John W. Craine Jr., chief of Naval Education and Training, as well as a \$2,000 scholarship.

The annual Collins scholarship is awarded to third year midshipmen who will complete their junior year before June. In determining the winner, a CNET awards board convened and reviewed and selected awardees based on academics, leadership, and financial need.

The late retired Capt. Winifred Q. Collins was commissioned in 1942 in the first group of women officers to enter the U. S. Naval Reserve. In 1948, Collins was selected as one of 500 women officers to be commissioned in the active duty Navy. In August 1957, she became the Assistant Chief of Navy Personnel for Women, the senior women officer in the Navy at the time, and the only woman line officer serving in the rank of captain. Collins retired in August 1962 after 20 years of active-duty Navy service.

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